

**REMARKS**

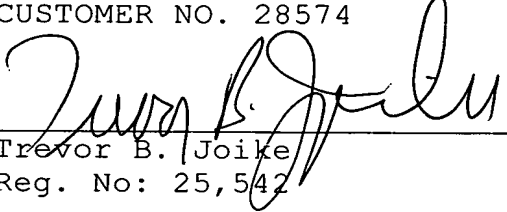
All of the claims withdrawn from consideration have been canceled leaving only allowed claims pending in the application.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the above, issuance of the above  
captioned patent application is respectfully requested.

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